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REPLY TO REQUIREMENT TO RESTRICT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated 26 May 2006, setting forth a thirty (30) day shortened statutory period for reply. Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Claims 1-20 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. As this response is timely filed within the shortened statutory period for response of thirty (30) days, no fee is required. Please charge any additional fees relating to this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-2570.

Restriction to one of the following invention was required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-13 and 17-20, drawn to methods of inhibiting thrombosis or reducing the dose of thrombolytic agent by administering a combination of an anti-coagulation factor monoclonal antibody and a thrombolytic agent, classified in class 424, subclass 158.1
- II. Claims 14-16, drawn to method of reducing the dose of thrombolytic agent by administering a combination of an undefined anti-coagulation factor agent and a thrombolytic agent, classified in class 514, subclass 2.

In addition applicant was required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species from: Species A-anti-Factor IX/IXa monoclonal antibody; Species B-anti-Factor X/Xa Application No.: 10/681,421 Group Art Unit: 1645 2

monoclonal antibody; Species C-anti-Factor XI/XIa monoclonal antibody; Species D-anti-Factor VIII/VIIIa monoclonal antibody; Species E-anti-Factor V/Va monoclonal antibody and Species F-anti-thrombin/prothrombin monoclonal antibody for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

Applicants hereby elects Group I (claims 1-13 and 17-20), and elects species A-anti Factor IX/IXa monoclonal antibody.

Applicant reserves the right to prosecute, in one or more patent applications, the canceled claims, the claims to non-elected inventions, the claims as originally filed, and any other claims supported by the specification.

Respectfully submitted,

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